GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:558
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RENOVATION OF KATARMAL TEMPLE
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to renovate the Katarmal Temple in Uttaranchal and the total amount of funds provided/released so far in this regard;

(b) whether any investigation has been conducted by the Government to determine that if a part of the temple is sinking;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER FOR INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S.JAIPAL REDDY)

(a): The Sun Temple Complex at Katarmal consists of main temple and 44 miniature shrines. The two miniature shrines in distress were restored as per original aftyer dismantling the damaged portion. The conservation of the Main Sun Temple is in progress. For this purpose an estimate amounting to Rs. 57.17 lakhs has been sanctioned. The total amount allocated in this regard for the current financial year is Rs. 12,37,000/-.

(b): There are no visible signs indicating that a part of the temple is sinking. Hence no such investigation has been conducted.

(c): Does not arise.

(d): Does not arise.